Council on Postsecondary Education Committee on Equal Opportunities April 16, 2007

Waivers of KRS 164.020(19) Granted in Calendar Year 2007 For Submission of New Degree Programs by Institutions

The CEO asked for regular reports regarding institutions that choose to adopt a waiver of the standards of KRS 164.020(19) in order to implement new degree programs. The statutes establish the Council's responsibility to approve the offering of new degree programs (KRS 164.020(14)) and also limit an institution's eligibility for new degree programs (KRS 164.020(19)) by the requirement that an institution meet its equal opportunity objectives.

The Council has authority to grant a temporary waiver of the requirements of KRS 164.020(19). Administrative Regulation 13 KAR 2:060 establishes criteria for determining an institution's compliance with equal opportunity objectives and for the granting of a temporary waiver to a state-supported postsecondary education institution that has not met its objectives.

At its March 23, 2007 meeting, the Kentucky Community and Technical College Board of Regents adopted a resolution approving a quantitative waiver for Maysville Community and Technical College to implement new academic programs under the waiver status during the 2007 calendar year. The resolution and quantitative waiver are attached.

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